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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Carl-Eike Hofmeister

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Title: METHOD FOR MONITORING THE OPERABILITY OF

A FUEL INJECTION SYSTEM

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Commissioner of Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir or Madam:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to the initial review of this national stage application referenced above by Carl-Eike Hofmeister entitled "METHOD FOR MONITORING THE OPERABILITY OF A FUEL INJECTION SYSTEM" filed September 14, 2006, please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.